been announced by the potential Statesfor power generated from these projects.

Conducting exhibitions for popularising the Non-Conventional Energy Sources

4278. SHRI S.M. LAL JAN BASHA: Will the Minister of NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that all exhibitions are conducted only through the assistance of various Non-Conventional Energy Development Corporation of Andhra Pradesh's or State Government agencies;

(b) if, so the reasons for such total dependence on the State machinery;

(c) whether it is a fact that many State Government agencies are not qualified to hold good and attractive exhibitions to popularise non-conventional energy; and

(d) if so, the steps proposed by Government to find alternate ways to have small exhibitions all over the country for popularising non-conventional energy?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OFTHE MINISTRY OF NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI M. KANNAPPAN): (a) and (b) The Ministry of Non-Conventional Energy Sources (MNES) provides financial support to the Non-Conventional Energy Develoment Corporation of Andhra Pradesh (NEDCAP) and the other State Nodal Agencies for organizing exhibitions on non-conventional energy devices and systems in their respective States, so that the displays, and necessary information including that of the State Govt, programmes on non-conventional energy could be provided to the. visitors in the regional/local languages. Besides, for international exhibitions; MNES provides partial support to the organizers for meeting the rent of bare space taken by the participating industries, NGOs and Industrial Association.

(c) and (d) The State Nodal Agencies for Renewable Energy have adequate expert manpower to organize good exhibitions. Some of these agencies have also received the awards for exhibitions in the past.

Development of fuel cell energy sources

4279. SHRI SHANKAR ROY CHOWDHURY: Will the Minister of NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether research into developmeht of fuel cell energy sources as